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1. Personal audio relay apparatus comprising:
 - a mobile telecommunications device for supporting a telecommunications link and having at least one input; a portable audio signal source device having at least one output; and control means, wherein said mobile telecommunication device and said audio signal source are responsive to the control means to establish a signal path between the at least one output of the audio signal source and the at least one input of the telecommunications device to relay audio signals from the audio source device over a telecommunications link.
2. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said at least one output of the audio signal source device provides audio signals in an analogue format and said at least one input of the telecommunications device receives said signals in the said analogue format.
3. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said at least one output of the audio signal source device provides audio signals in a digital format and said at least one input of the telecommunications device receives said signals in the said digital format.
4. The apparatus of claim 3 wherein said audio signal source device is an MP3 player.
5. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the said mobile telecommunications device is a portable telephone.
6. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the mobile telecommunications and portable audio signal source devices are integrated.

7. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said control means is integrated with one of said mobile telecommunications device or said portable audio signal source and connectable to the other thereof.

5 8. The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising user operable input means by which the control means is operable under user command.

10 9. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said control means establishes said signal path when an audio signal is detected at the source device at least one output.

15 10. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the mobile telecommunications device is provided with an audio input transducer for generating an electrical output signal and said output signal is muted when said control means establishes said signal path.

11. A garment featuring the personal audio relay apparatus of claim 1.

20 12. The garment of claim 11 and further comprising an integrated interconnect arrangement for connecting components of the personal audio relay apparatus.

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